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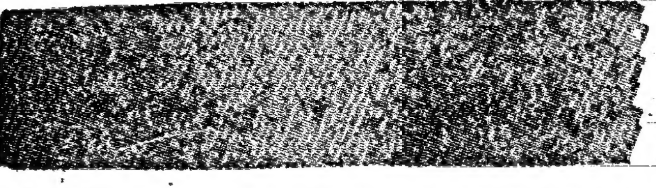
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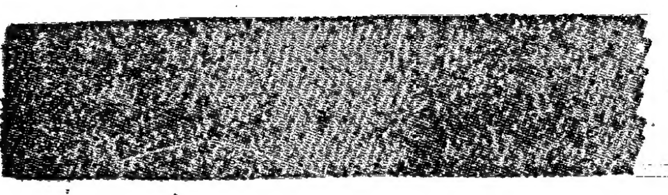
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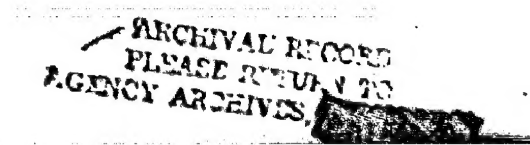
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Union of South Africa

SIGHTING OVER WORCESTER -- Cape Town, Die Burger, 17 Apr 54

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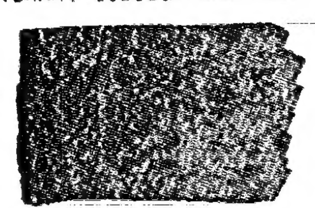
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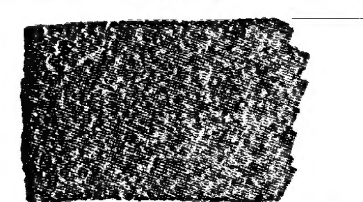
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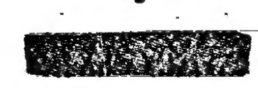
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